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Advisory Committee on Aging & Adults with Physical Disabilities for Sussex County

Minutes of Meeting

November 21, 2016

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Advisory Committee on Aging & Adults with Physical Disabilities for Sussex County was held on Monday, November 21, 2016, at the Sussex County Administrative Offices West Complex, 22215 North DuPont Boulevard, Georgetown, Delaware. The following members were present:

Sally Beaumont
Ruth Ann Beideman
Michelle Griffith (non-voting member)
Jamie Magee

Cathy Parker
Scott Phillips
Francine Shockley
Helen Smith

Call to Order

Ruth Ann Beideman, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and welcomed everyone on behalf of the Committee.

Approval of Agenda

A Motion was made by Helen Smith, seconded by Sally Beaumont, to approve the Agenda as posted. Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.

Approval of Minutes

A Motion was made by Jamie Magee, seconded by Helen Smith, to approve the minutes of September 19, 2016, as distributed. Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.

Correspondence

No correspondence was received.

Guest Speaker

Mary Ann Leager, Senior Branch Manager, Georgetown Center Branch, M&T Bank, spoke about scams targeting older Americans, various types of fraud, and identity



theft. Ms. Leager discussed the different ways someone's identity can be stolen and how to prevent it. She also talked about some of the more common types of fraud including secret shoppers, lottery scams, romance schemes, so-called phone calls from the IRS, grandchild in jail, and home repair scams. It was noted that a person's identity can be stolen from ATM's and gas station pumps, as skimming mechanisms are often added to these types of devices that can capture credit card numbers and bank information. When using these types of machines, it is recommended that the slot where the card is inserted be tugged on, and if a skimming device has been inserted it will pull out.

Old Business

The 2016 LIVE Conference held on October 19th was discussed. Ruth Ann Beideman reported that 140 people attended this year's conference, which was just 35 less than last year.

Ms. Beideman requested input from the Advisory Committee and guests regarding the conference. The following comments were received:

- There seemed to be more interaction with the vendors this year. One person felt it was the best yet.
- More press coverage is needed at an earlier date than what the County provides. Ruth Ann Beideman will meet with County Administrator Todd Lawson prior to the next conference to address this issue.
- Although it was advertised that the food would be an upgrade from last year's conference, that was not the case. The chicken salad sandwiches were very small, and the portion of turkey meat was little, bland, and tasteless. There were no Granola bars and they ran out of diet sodas. The onions on the veggie wraps were raw and so strong that the taste went through the wrapper into the sealed cookie.

The idea of holding a half-day conference from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. was considered. Breakfast could be served instead of lunch, with an upgraded morning snack. Concerns were expressed if this would impact the vendors, i.e. would they still want to come to a half-day conference and what would they be charged to participate.

Possible topics for next conference

- Fraud
- New Attitudes About Aging

Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Advisory Committee will be held on Monday, January 23, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. at the Sussex County Administrative Offices West Complex, 22215 North DuPont Boulevard, Georgetown, Delaware.

Adjourn

A Motion was made by Helen Smith, seconded by Jamie Magee, to adjourn. Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Smith, Acting Secretary
Advisory Committee on Aging & Adults with
Physical Disabilities for Sussex County